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STATE OF NEW MEXICO BEFORE THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO STANDARDS FOR INTERSTATE AND INTRASTATE SURFACE WATERS, 20.6.4 NMAC

No. WQCC 20-51 (R)

JOINT STIPULATION ON SIGNIFICANT FIGURES

The New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED"), Triad National Security, LLC ("Triad"), the United States Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration ("DOE"), Amigos Bravos ("AB"), the Buckman Direct Diversion Board ("BDD"), Communities for Clean Water and Gila Resources Information Project ("CCW-GRIP"), San Juan Water Commission ("SJWC"), and the New Mexico Mining Association ("NMMA") (together, the "Parties") stipulate to proposing revision of the *Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Surface Waters*, 20.6.4. NMAC, by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph of 20.6.4.900(I) NMAC, as proposed in NMED Exhibit 110, and as supported by the testimony in NMED Exhibit 107:

Calculated criteria must adhere to the treatment of significant figures and rounding identified in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, latest edition, American public health association.

Furthermore, in order to implement the calculated hardness-dependent criteria, the Parties stipulate to proposing amending the table in 20.6.4.900(I)(3) NMAC as proposed in NMED Exhibit 110, and as supported by the testimony in NMED Exhibit 107.

The Parties agree that these stipulated revisions, should they be adopted by the Commission, would fully resolve the issue of significant figures, which was the subject of direct

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